TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL MEMORANDUM



HB 9071 - SB 9008

October 29, 2021

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes the Attorney General and Reporter (AG) to petition the court to appoint a district attorney general pro tem for the purpose of prosecuting certain criminal offenses when a district attorney general refuses to prosecute all instances of such an offense. Requires the court to appoint a district attorney general pro tem if the court finds the district attorney general has refused to attend and prosecute according to law. Establishes that the district attorney general pro tem is entitled to the same privileges and emoluments as the regular officer.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Other Fiscal Impact – The proposed legislation may result in an increase in state expenditures. The timing, duration, and amount of any increase is unknown and cannot be estimated with reasonable certainty.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (010303): Deletes and rewrites all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to specify that the AG is authorized to petition the Supreme Court.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumption for the bill as amended:

• The proposed legislation may result in increases in expenditures related to district attorney general pro tem appointments; however, the timing, duration, and compensation of any appointment are unknown and cannot be estimated with reasonable certainty.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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